



CITY OF
MUKILTEO

Police Department

Mukilteo Police Department Annual Use of Force Statistics

The Mukilteo Police Department has a comprehensive policy that ensures officers shall only use that amount of force that reasonably appears necessary to accomplish a legitimate law enforcement purpose.

Any use of force by a member of this department shall be documented promptly, completely, and accurately in an appropriate report to collect data for purposes of training, resource allocation, analysis, and related review.

All use of force incidents are documented, reviewed by training staff, and command level officers to verify that each force application was justified, legal, and within department policy.

The overall number of use of force applications are low for a law enforcement agency of our size. We emphasize a culture of respect and trust, which is earned through every one of our professional interactions with our community and re-enforced during all aspects of our training. Our police department prioritizes de-escalation and crisis communications prior to any application of force. We also understand how important and necessary it is to employ only the amount of force that is reasonable and necessary to achieve any lawful objective. The preservation of all human life is the foundation of policing and remains part of our department's culture. This culture affords our agency with the community support and trust that is essential in allowing us to successfully deliver "professional police service for and with the community."

The following breakdown of use of force incidents are listed chronologically by year displaying the total number of incidents where force was used. These totals are shown for every year, dating back to 2013.

Some incidents have more than one type of force used, which explains why the force category number totals in some years may be higher than the total number of incidents for the year.

Those incidents are further broken down into gender and demographic data. Subjects identifying themselves as more than one race were accounted for in all applicable categories.



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Total Incidents by Year	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
	16	8	3	6	19	8	17	17	18	24
Force Used by Category	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Handcuff (beyond basic application of the restraint)	12	4	0	2	0	0	0	1	1	1
Physical force (not amounting to a specific take-down or joint manipulation maneuver)	12	8	2	1	9	2	3	4	0	10
Pressure Points	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	4	1	2
Joint Manipulation	2	2	0	0	10	5	8	5	4	9
Take-down	8	1	1	2	8	4	7	9	8	6
<i>Lateral Vascular Neck Restraint (removed from policy manual June 2020)</i>	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Strike	2	0	1	0	2	2	1	2	2	1
OC (peppery spray)	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Baton	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Taser (dart/probe)	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	0	2	1
Taser (direct contact)	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1
Firearm (discharged)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Firearm (pointing at subject)	4	0	0	2	3	2	5	2	6	7
Force by Subject	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
Male	15	6	3	5	15	8	18	16	18	21
Female	1	2	0	1	4	1	3	2	3	7
Force by Race	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
White	11	7	3	4	14	8	13	13	16	22
Black	2	0	0	0	2	1	1	3	1	3
Hispanic	0	0	0	0	2	0	4	1	2	2
Asian	2	0	0	2	1	0	3	1	1	0
Native American	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0